

01-28-05

## PART B - FEE(S) TRANSMITTAL

Complete and send this form, together with applicable fee(s), to: **Mail**

**Mail Stop ISSUE FEE**  
**Commissioner for Patents**  
**P.O. Box 1450**  
**Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450**  
**or Fax (703) 746-4000**

**INSTRUCTIONS:** This form should be used for transmitting the ISSUE FEE and PUBLICATION FEE (if required). Blocks 1 through 5 should be completed where appropriate. All further correspondence including the Patent, advance orders and notification of maintenance fees will be mailed to the current correspondence address as indicated unless corrected below or directed otherwise in Block 1, by (a) specifying a new correspondence address; and/or (b) indicating a separate "FEE ADDRESS" for maintenance fee notifications.

CURRENT CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS (Note: Use Block 1 for any change of address)

36288 7590 11/03/2004

KENNETH H. JACK  
 2121 MAPLE  
 WICHITA, KS 67213



01/31/2005 LWONDIH2 00000009 500550 10677695

01 FC:2501 700.00 DA

Note: A certificate of mailing can only be used for domestic mailings of the Fee(s) Transmittal. This certificate cannot be used for any other accompanying papers. Each additional paper, such as an assignment or formal drawing, must have its own certificate of mailing or transmission.

## Certificate of Mailing or Transmission

I hereby certify that this Fee(s) Transmittal is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage for first class mail in an envelope addressed to the Mail Stop ISSUE FEE address above, or being facsimile transmitted to the USPTO (703) 746-4000, on the date indicated below.

(Depositor's name)
(Signature)
(Date)

APPLICATION NO.	FILING DATE	FIRST NAMED INVENTOR	ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.	CONFIRMATION NO.
10/677.695	10/02/2003	Mark K. Liebst	2742	9774

TITLE OF INVENTION: PIPE CONNECTOR ASSEMBLY

APPLN. TYPE	SMALL ENTITY	ISSUE FEE	PUBLICATION FEE	TOTAL FEE(S) DUE	DATE DUE
nonprovisional	YES	\$685	\$0	\$685	02/03/2005

EXAMINER	ART UNIT	CLASS-SUBCLASS
NICHOLSON, ERIC K	3679	285-023000

1. Change of correspondence address or indication of "Fee Address" (37 CFR 1.363).

- ☐ Change of correspondence address (or Change of Correspondence Address form PTO/SB/122) attached.
- ☐ "Fee Address" indication (or "Fee Address" Indication form PTO/SB/47; Rev 03-02 or more recent) attached. Use of a Customer Number is required.

2. For printing on the patent front page, list

- (1) the names of up to 3 registered patent attorneys or agents OR, alternatively,
- (2) the name of a single firm (having as a member a registered attorney or agent) and the names of up to 2 registered patent attorneys or agents. If no name is listed, no name will be printed.

1 Kenneth H. Jack  
 2 Davis & Jack, LLC  
 3 \_\_\_\_\_

3. ASSIGNEE NAME AND RESIDENCE DATA TO BE PRINTED ON THE PATENT (print or type)

PLEASE NOTE: Unless an assignee is identified below, no assignee data will appear on the patent. If an assignee is identified below, the document has been filed for recordation as set forth in 37 CFR 3.11. Completion of this form is NOT a substitute for filing an assignment.

(A) NAME OF ASSIGNEE

(B) RESIDENCE: (CITY and STATE OR COUNTRY)

Please check the appropriate assignee category or categories (will not be printed on the patent): ☐ Individual ☐ Corporation or other private group entity ☐ Government

4a. The following fee(s) are enclosed:

- ☒ Issue Fee
- ☐ Publication Fee (No small entity discount permitted)
- ☐ Advance Order - # of Copies \_\_\_\_\_

4b. Payment of Fee(s):

- ☐ A check in the amount of the fee(s) is enclosed.
- ☐ Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.
- ☒ The Director is hereby authorized by charge the required fee(s), or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number 50=0550 (enclose an extra copy of this form).

5. Change in Entity Status (from status indicated above)

- ☐ a. Applicant claims SMALL ENTITY status. See 37 CFR 1.27. ☐ b. Applicant is no longer claiming SMALL ENTITY status. See 37 CFR 1.27(g)(2).

The Director of the USPTO is requested to apply the Issue Fee and Publication Fee (if any) or to re-apply any previously paid issue fee to the application identified above. NOTE: The Issue Fee and Publication Fee (if required) will not be accepted from anyone other than the applicant; a registered attorney or agent; or the assignee or other party in interest as shown by the records of the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

Authorized Signature

KENNETH H. JACK

Date January 24, 2005Registration No. 37,644

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.311. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 12 minutes to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. Department of Commerce, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450.

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number.

ER008326105US



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Mark K. Liebst  
Serial No.: 10,677,695  
Filed: 10/2/2003  
For: Pipe Connector Assembly  
Art Unit: 3679  
Examiner: Eric K. Nicholson  
Attorney Docket No.: 2742

.....

EXPRESS MAIL CERTIFICATE

"Express Mail" mailing label No. ER008326105US  
Date of Deposit: January 27 2005


I hereby certify that the following documents:

Cover letter;  
Form entitled, *Part B--Issue Fee Transmittal*; and  
Form entitled, *Notice of Allowance*;

are being deposited in a single envelope with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service under 37 C.F.R. 1.10 on the date indicated above and such envelope is addressed to:

Mail Stop ISSUE FEE  
Commissioner for Patents  
PO Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

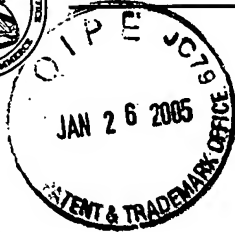
BEVERLY D. FITCH  
(Name of person mailing documents)

  
(Signature of person mailing documents)



UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE  
United States Patent and Trademark Office  
Address: COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450  
www.uspto.gov



NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE AND FEE(S) DUE

36288 7590 11/03/2004

KENNETH H. JACK  
2121 MAPLE  
WICHITA, KS 67213

EXAMINER

NICHOLSON, ERIC K

ART UNIT

PAPER NUMBER

3679

DATE MAILED: 11/03/2004

APPLICATION NO.	FILING DATE	FIRST NAMED INVENTOR	ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.	CONFIRMATION NO.
10/677,695	10/02/2003	Mark K. Liebst	2742	9774

TITLE OF INVENTION: PIPE CONNECTOR ASSEMBLY

APPLN. TYPE	SMALL ENTITY	ISSUE FEE	PUBLICATION FEE	TOTAL FEE(S) DUE	DATE DUE
nonprovisional	YES	\$685	\$0	\$685	02/03/2005

THE APPLICATION IDENTIFIED ABOVE HAS BEEN EXAMINED AND IS ALLOWED FOR ISSUANCE AS A PATENT. **PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS CLOSED.** THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS. THIS APPLICATION IS SUBJECT TO WITHDRAWAL FROM ISSUE AT THE INITIATIVE OF THE OFFICE OR UPON PETITION BY THE APPLICANT. SEE 37 CFR 1.313 AND MPEP 1308.

THE ISSUE FEE AND PUBLICATION FEE (IF REQUIRED) MUST BE PAID WITHIN **THREE MONTHS** FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR THIS APPLICATION SHALL BE REGARDED AS ABANDONED. **THIS STATUTORY PERIOD CANNOT BE EXTENDED.** SEE 35 U.S.C. 151. THE ISSUE FEE DUE INDICATED ABOVE REFLECTS A CREDIT FOR ANY PREVIOUSLY PAID ISSUE FEE APPLIED IN THIS APPLICATION. THE PTOL-85B (OR AN EQUIVALENT) MUST BE RETURNED WITHIN THIS PERIOD EVEN IF NO FEE IS DUE OR THE APPLICATION WILL BE REGARDED AS ABANDONED.

HOW TO REPLY TO THIS NOTICE:

I. Review the SMALL ENTITY status shown above.

If the SMALL ENTITY is shown as YES, verify your current SMALL ENTITY status:

- A. If the status is the same, pay the TOTAL FEE(S) DUE shown above.
- B. If the status above is to be removed, check box 5b on Part B - Fee(s) Transmittal and pay the PUBLICATION FEE (if required) and twice the amount of the ISSUE FEE shown above, or

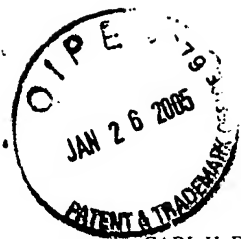
If the SMALL ENTITY is shown as NO:

- A. Pay TOTAL FEE(S) DUE shown above, or
- B. If applicant claimed SMALL ENTITY status before, or is now claiming SMALL ENTITY status, check box 5a on Part B - Fee(s) Transmittal and pay the PUBLICATION FEE (if required) and 1/2 the ISSUE FEE shown above.

II. PART B - FEE(S) TRANSMITTAL should be completed and returned to the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) with your ISSUE FEE and PUBLICATION FEE (if required). Even if the fee(s) have already been paid, Part B - Fee(s) Transmittal should be completed and returned. If you are charging the fee(s) to your deposit account, section "4b" of Part B - Fee(s) Transmittal should be completed and an extra copy of the form should be submitted.

III. All communications regarding this application must give the application number. Please direct all communications prior to issuance to Mail Stop ISSUE FEE unless advised to the contrary.

**IMPORTANT REMINDER:** Utility patents issuing on applications filed on or after Dec. 12, 1980 may require payment of maintenance fees. It is patentee's responsibility to ensure timely payment of maintenance fees when due.



CARL H. DAVIS (1884-1961)  
ROBERT L. DAVIS  
F.C. "RICK" DAVIS, II

**DAVIS & JACK, L.L.C.**

ATTORNEYS AT LAW  
2121 WEST MAPLE  
P.O. BOX 12686  
**WICHITA, KANSAS 67277-2686**  
*Phone No. (316) 945-8251*  
*Fax No. (316) 945-2789*

KENNETH H. JACK †  
CARL B. DAVIS

† Registered Patent Attorney,  
U. S. Patent and Trademark Office;  
Also Admitted in Oklahoma

January 27, 2005

Mail Stop ISSUE FEE  
Commissioner for Patents  
PO Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

<b>RE:</b>	<b>Application No:</b>	<b>10/677,695</b>
	<b>Applicant:</b>	<b>Liebst, Mark K.</b>
	<b>Filed:</b>	<b>10/2/2003</b>
	<b>Group Art Unit:</b>	<b>3679</b>
	<b>Examiner:</b>	<b>Nicholson, Eric K.</b>
	<b>Attorney Docket</b>	<b>#2742</b>

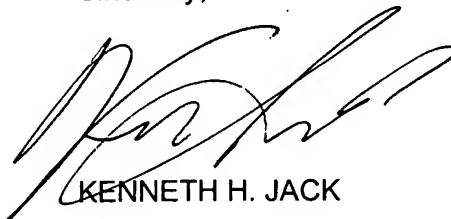
Dear Sirs:

I am in receipt of your office's *Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Due*. Page No. 1 of that document with a check mark in the box entitled, "Applicant claims SMALL ENTITY status" is enclosed. Also enclosed is the original and one copy of the page entitled, *Part B--Issue Fee Transmittal*.

Please withdraw the issue fee of \$700.00, from my Davis & Jack Deposit Account No. 50-0550. If any additional funds are necessary, please also withdraw them from my patent deposit account.

Please be in contact with me if anything further is needed to obtain issuance of the patent.

Sincerely,



KENNETH H. JACK

KHJ/bdf  
IF-liebst/04

03-2742  
Enclosures

**Express Mail #ER008326105US**